

SPECIAL COUNCIL WORK MINUTES
MAY 8, 2013

The City Council held a special work meeting on Wednesday, May 8, 2013, at 5:30 p.m., in the Council Chambers, 10 North Main Street, Cedar City, Utah.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Joe Burgess; Councilmembers: Ron Adams; John Black; Paul Cozzens; Don Marchant.

EXCUSED: Councilmember Nina Barnes.

STAFF PRESENT: City Manager Rick Holman; City Attorney Paul Bittmenn; City Engineer Kit Wareham; City Recorder Renon Savage; Finance Director Jason Norris; Police Chief Robert D. Allinson; Leisure Services Director Dan Rodgerson.

OTHERS PRESENT: Chris Mock, Richard C. Bronsema, Bev Burgess, Mitch Robinson, Jennifer Morales, Dylan Stephens, Taylor Heinz, Josh Huntsman, Bronson Hignite, Garrett Mitchell, Kaylee Starr, Anna Sun, Paige Gunn, Doug Hall, Dillon Faney.

CALL TO ORDER: Councilmember Marchant gave the opening prayer; the pledge of allegiance was led by Councilmember Cozzens.

AGENDA ORDER APPROVAL: Councilmember Marchant moved to approve the agenda order for both the special work and action meetings; second by Councilmember Black; vote unanimous.

ADMINISTRATION AGENDA – MAYOR AND COUNCIL BUSINESS; STAFF COMMENTS: ■ Mayor – The Paiute Tribe has been putting on the Pow Wow for 33 years, it has been very successful, they bring in a number of dancers, having many people come to town. The last few years they have struggled on getting people coming, the number of dancers has gone down. The resources have dwindled. The Piute Housing Authority wants us to explore Cedar City being a co-sponsor with the Tribe in the PowWow. They are a huge part of our heritage and the people in the community have enjoyed this event. They are asking for us to consider being a co-sponsor for \$2,500. I wanted to see if anyone had a strong objection, if not it will be on the next set of meetings. Marchant – it is a fee or a waiver of fee? Mayor – it is a fee. I have identified some resources; we had \$54,000 and allocated \$42,500 spent in the Community Promotions. A few years ago we helped with the Special Olympics. Adams – they had a lack of dancers, will that help with that? Mayor – it is the prize money for the dancers. In round figures they cut funds from the Tribe down to \$10,000. There are resources from the Housing Authority and with our money they will get back to where they were before. Marchant – where do the dancers come from? They come from Utah, Arizona, Nevada and Idaho. The largest Restoration Gathering is in Idaho. Black – do we need a work and action both next week? Mayor – they have a book they print and wanted to do that by the first of June. He didn't seem to think our meetings were a problem. If we felt comfortable after next week they could start the printing. The Council was all in support.

■ Mayor – our next budget meeting is on the 21st and we will talk about the TRT. Our budget anticipates \$130,000, we would like to have you prepared to make a decision on the dollar amount of any individual groups and also your ideas on that a week before the meeting we could match them with what we are thinking and come to the meeting with a proposal. We will email the information to Nina.

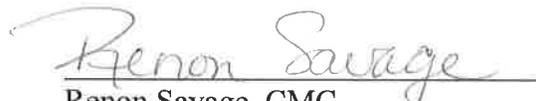
PUBLIC COMMENTS: There were no comments.

DISCUSSION OF INCENTIVE AGREEMENT WITH INTEGRATED PROCESSING SYSTEMS – BRENNAN WOOD:

Brennan – IPS is a company in Cedar City. April 4, 2002 there was an incentive agreement signed by the City. They manufacture the assembly line for computer chips and then they go to companies across the world. It is a unique process. Mike Brass apologized for not being here, president of the company.

Here is the background, the agreement was signed in 2002 and there was a 5 year window, there were benchmarks they had to qualify, 25 full-time employees, pay 60% above the county wage. They did both of those, they did qualify, but did not come in and request their incentive. There is no deadline in the agreement and came back in the past two months to collect on the incentive. We helped them purchase the lot in the Airport Industrial Park. We have a lien of \$36,750 on their property. The incentive is for the same dollar amount. They would like us to waive the lien instead of collection on the incentive which was 3 year of property tax, it ranged from \$24,000 - \$36,750, and it was historically higher, up to \$59,634. They are currently refinancing for an expansion and would like the incentive for this reason. Marchant – what size of expansion? Brennan – about 50 foot addition to the current facility going south, it is about 50% of the current facility. They are currently hiring 5 additional people. They averaged above the 25 employees and paid above the 60%. Cozzens – how many employees? Brennan – right now 28 full time and 2 part-time. They have been up to 55 employees. Mayor – they have been a success story for incentives. We are excited for them to expand and they are not asking for an additional incentive.

ADJOURN: Councilmember Marchant moved to adjourn and move into the action meeting at 5:48 p.m.; second by Councilmember Adams; vote unanimous.


Renon Savage, CMC
City Recorder